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	115.	<p>Prosecution History for US App. No. 10/395,021, filed March 21, 2003 (03-0033-US01) including:</p> <p>Non-Final Office Action dated December 7, 2007 for for US App. No. 10/395,021, filed March 21, 2003 (03-0033-US01) (8 pages).</p> <p>Amendment dated October 26, 2007 for US App. No. 10/395,021, filed March 21, 2003 (03-0033-US01) (20 pages).</p> <p>Final Office Action dated August 14, 2007 for US App. No. 10/395,021, filed March 21, 2003 (03-0033-US01) (9 pages).</p> <p>Amendment dated June 27, 2007 for US App. No. 10/395,021, filed March 21, 2003 (03-0033-US01) (18 pages).</p> <p>Non-Final Office Action dated March 27, 2007 for US App. No. 10/395,021, filed March 21, 2003 (03-0033-US01) (7 pages).</p> <p>Amendment dated January 23, 2007 for US App. No. 10/395,021, filed March 21, 2003 (03-0033-US01) (21 pages).</p> <p>Final Office Action dated October 24, 2006 for US App. No. 10/395,021, filed March 21, 2003 (03-0033-US01) (7 pages).</p> <p>Amendment dated August 15, 2006 for US App. No. 10/395,021, filed March 21, 2003 (03-0033-US01) (14 pages).</p> <p>Non-Final Office Action dated May 10, 2006 for US App. No. 10/395,021, filed March 21, 2003 (03-0033-US01) (5 pages).</p> <p>Amendment dated April 12, 2006 for US App. No. 10/395,021, filed March 21, 2003 (03-0033-US01) (14 pages).</p> <p>Non-Final Office Action dated April 10, 2006 for US App. No. 10/395,021, filed March 21, 2003 (03-0033-US01) (5 pages).</p> <p>Amendment dated January 30, 2006 for US App. No. 10/395,021, filed March 21, 2003 (03-0033-US01) (12 pages).</p> <p>Non-Final Office Action dated November 28, 2005 for US App. No. 10/395,021, filed March 21, 2003 (03-0033-US01) (5 pages).</p> <p>Amendment dated October 17, 2005 for US App. No. 10/395,021, filed March 21, 2003 (03-0033-US01) (12 pages).</p> <p>Non-Final Office Action dated May 17, 2005 for US App. No. 10/395,021, filed March 21, 2003 (03-0033-US01) (6 pages).</p> <p>Amendment dated April 6, 2005 for US App. No. 10/395,021, filed March 21, 2003 (03-0033-US01) (11 pages).</p> <p>Non-Final Office Action dated December 7, 2004 for US App. No. 10/395,021, filed March 21, 2003 (03-0033-US01) (6 pages).</p>	
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116.	<p>Prosecution History for US App. No. 10/727,149, filed December 2, 2003 (03-0078-US01) including:</p> <p>Non-Final Office Action dated June 14, 2007 for US App. No. 10/727,149, filed December 2, 2003 (03-0078-US01) (6 pages).</p> <p>Amendment dated April 6, 2007 for US App. No. 10/727,149, filed December 2, 2003 (03-0078-US01) (14 pages).</p> <p>Final Office Action dated January 9, 2007 for US App. No. 10/727,149, filed December 2, 2003 (03-0078-US01) (7 pages).</p> <p>Amendment dated December 7, 2006 for US App. No. 10/727,149, filed December 2, 2003 (03-0078-US01) (14 pages).</p> <p>Non-Final Office Action dated September 15, 2006 for US App. No. 10/727,149, filed December 2, 2003 (03-0078-US01) (5 pages).</p> <p>Amendment dated April 12, 2006 for US App. No. 10/727,149, filed December 2, 2003 (03-0078-US01) (14 pages).</p> <p>Non-Final Office Action dated January 13, 2006 for US App. No. 10/727,149, filed December 2, 2003 (03-0078-US01) (13 pages).</p>
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117.	<p>Prosecution History for US App. No. 10/727,143, filed December 2, 2003 (03-0312-US01) including</p> <p>Amendment dated October 15, 2007 for US App. No. 10/727,143, filed December 2, 2003 (03-0312-US01) (13 pages).</p> <p>Non-Final Office Action dated June 15, 2007 for US App. No. 10/727,143, filed December 2, 2003 (03-0312-US01) (9 pages).</p> <p>Amendment dated April 26, 2007 for US App. No. 10/727,143, filed December 2, 2003 (03-0312-US01) (12 pages)</p> <p>Final Office Action dated February 1, 2007 for US App. No. 10/727,143, filed December 2, 2003 (03-0312-US01) (8 pages).</p> <p>Amendment dated November 22, 2006 for US App. No. 10/727,143, filed December 2, 2003 (03-0312-US01) (12 pages)</p> <p>Non-Final Office Action dated August 18, 2006 for US App. No. 10/727,143, filed December 2, 2003 (03-0312-US01) (8 pages).</p>
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	118.	<p>Prosecution History for US App. No. 10/727,144 (03-0117-US01) including:</p> <p>Non-final Office action dated January 18, 2008 for US App. No. 10/727,144 (03-0117-US01) (7 pages).</p> <p>Amendment dated November 8, 2007 for US App. No. 10/727,144 (03-0117-US01) (16 pages).</p> <p>Amendment dated September 13, 2007 for US App. No. 10/727,144 (03-0117-US01) (16 pages).</p> <p>Final Office Action dated July 13, 2007 for US App. No. 10/727,144 (03-0117-US01) (8 pages)</p> <p>Amendment dated April 26, 2007 for US App. No. 10/727,144 (03-0117-US01) (13 pages).</p> <p>Non-Final Office Action dated January 31, 2007 for US App. No. 10/727,144 (03-0117-US01) (8 pages)</p> <p>Amendment dated November 15, 2006 for US App. No. 10/727,144 (03-0117-US01) (12 pages)</p> <p>Non-Final Office Action dated August 25, 2006 for US App. No. 10/727,144 (03-0117-US01) (10 pages)</p>	
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	119.	PCT International Search Report dated October 27, 20062007 for PCT/US2005/045055 (04-0453-WO01) (5 pages).	
	120.	(03-0033WO01) PCT International Search Report dated August 2, 2004 for PCT Application No. PCT/US2004/005883, Applicant Scimed Life Systems (now Boston Scientific Scimed), forms PCT/ISA 210 and 220, (10 pages)	
	121.	(03-0033WO01) PCT Written Opinion dated August 2, 2004 for PCT Application No. PCT/US2004/005883, Applicant Scimed Life Systems (now Boston Scientific Limited), forms PCT/ISA 237 and PCT/IPEA 237, (10 pages)	
	122.	(03-0033WO01) PCT International Preliminary Report on Patentability dated October 6, 2005 for PCT/US2004/005883, Forms PCT/IB/373 and PCT/ISA/237, Applicant Scimed Life Systems (now Boston Scientific Limited) (10 pages)	
	123.	EP Office Action, dated March 22, 2006 for Application no. 04715649.2, Applicant Boston Scientific Limited, (03-0033 EP01) (3 pages)	
	124.	Response to EP Office Action, dated March 22, 2006, submitted on July 21, 2006, for Application no. 04715649.2, Applicant Boston Scientific Limited, (03-0033 EP01) (11 pages)	
	125.	Communication under Rule 51(4) EPC, dated December 22, 2006, for Application no. 04715649.2, Applicant Boston Scientific Limited, (03-0033 EP01) (5 pages)	
	126.	(03-0078 WO01) International Search Report for PCT/US2004/39284, dated May 11, 2005, form PCT/ISA 210, Applicant Boston Scientific Scimed, (3 pages)	

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130.	PCT International Preliminary Report on Patentability for PCT Application No. PCT/US2004/039143, dated 8/22/2006, Applicant Boston Scientific Scimed, (03-0285 WO01)(6 pages)	
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